(g) what steps have been taken to. change the base year cf index?

- THE MINISTER OF PETROLELM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S, (GURUPADASWAMY): (a) and (b) Some Micgcsiions on itie subject have been received by this Ministry from the interested groups.

.. (c) tc (g) This forms a part of the review of the drug policy presently being undertaken by the Government.

Findings of Sbankaran Committee on drugs

2225. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI:

SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

Will the M: r>ister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that his Ministry has promised revision in norms to the drug industry;

fbl whether it is a fact that norms were studied by Shankaran Committee and that such a study has n_0 basis;

(c) what are the details of findings Of the Committee on norms;

(d) whether it is a fact that his Min istry has come across number of errors of omission and commission in the find-togs of the Committee, and

$_v$(e), if so, whar are the details thereof and what steps have been taken to *te.* view the position and initiate action against the Committee fo mis-repren-tation of facts?

TH$_E$ MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY). (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) The requisite information has been furn'shed in reply to Rajya 'Sabha Unstarred Question No. 1343 answered on 20-8-1990.

(d) and (e) The entire drug poicy is. under review.

Shortcomings in the findings of theMurtby Committeeon drugs

2226. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI:

SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what was the necessity to appoint Murthy Committee;

(b) what v. ere the basis on which the members of the Committee were appointed and what are the qualifications and experience each enjoys in line with the job assigned to them;

(c) what are the detail$_s$ of the findings of the Committee and what action has been taken thereon;

(d) whether it is a fact that the mem bers of the Committee were appointed in consultation with on approval of the drug industry;

(e) whether it is a fact that his Min istry has reviewed the findings of the Committee and found that these were to please the drug producers;

(f) if so, what are the details of the leview;

(g) whether his Ministry propose to take any action against the Committee; and

(h) if so, by when?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) to (h) In-formation to the extent available will be collected and laid On the Tabls of the Kajya Sabha.

Recovery of Unintended Benefit from the Importers of Penicillin

2227. SHRIMATI KAILASHPATI:
SHRIMATI PRATIBHA SINGH:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the outlines of the policy settled by his Ministry for import of Penicillin G/V 1st Crystals;

(b) when was the policy announced and with what objective and how the objectives are expected to be achieved;

'c) what are the names of companies which have imported Penicillin G/V in the past four years with out lifting of indigenous production;

(dl What steps have been taken to collect unintended benefit from those who did not lift indigenous Penicillin or lifted less quantities in the past;

whether his Ministry has worked out the details of those parties who iwere allowed imports without indigenous lifting of penicillin as per the policy;

(f) If so, what are the names of the parties, quantity allowed for import and the quantity not lifted as required; and

(g) what steps have been taken to recover unintended benefit?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) A copy of the Press Note issued in this connection giving the salient features of the policy is enclosed as statement. (See . below)

(b) The policy was announced In the 1st Week of June 1990. Main objective of the policy is to utilise the indigenously produce^ pen. 'C, which U to be achieved through its strict implementation.

(c), (e) ana (1) Information is being compiled and will be placed on the Table of the House.

(d) and (g) Action against such companies for violating the conditions of the Import is under consideration of the Government.

Statement

PRESS NOTE

The Penicillin G-Flrst crystal Allocation Policy for the year 1990-91 has been framed taking into account the increase in the indigenous production of Penicillin by the two public sector undertaking, IDPL and" HAL. In view (of the higher indigenous production, the ratio of imported Penicillin-G to indigenous Penicillin-G has been